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From:

West End Home Builders' Association 1112 Rymal Road East Hamilton, Ontario L8W 3N7 To:

Members of Public Works Committee City of Hamilton, 71 Main St W Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1P9

WE HBA Letter: Amendments to Hamilton Water Works and Sewer & Drains By-laws

The West End Home Builders' Association ("WE HBA") is the voice of the land development, new housing and professional renovation industries in Hamilton, Burlington, and Grimsby. WE HBA represents 300 member companies made up of all disciplines involved in land development and residential construction. In the Hamilton CMA in 2024, residential construction contributed over \$4.6 billion in investment value and provided over 21,000 jobs paying about \$1.6 billion in wages¹.

WE HBA appreciates report PW25063 and the associated amendments to the Water Works Bylaw and the Sewer and Drain By-law. The proposed amendments address impacts our members have experienced in advancing developments that were approved under the former by-laws, which permitted shared servicing agreements. The amendments will allow these developments to proceed while reducing effort by developers and city staff to permit each development as an individual exception.

WE HBA is supportive of efforts to reduce the burden of process on development projects to accelerate the delivery of housing and improve efficiency. WE HBA thanks staff for their work in bringing this amendment forward alongside other efforts to streamline development approvals.

Sincerely,

Anthony Salemi, BURPI

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¹ CHBA Economic Impacts 2024 Fact Sheet, Hamilton CMA.